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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Leavell DATE TYPED: 2/4/03 HB \_\_\_\_\_

SHORT TITLE: Law Enforcement Training Reimbursement SB 282

ANALYST: Maloy

### APPROPRIATION

| Appropriation Contained |         | Estimated Additional Impact |      | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected                           |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|------|----------------------|---|
| FY03                    | FY04    | FY03                        | FY04 |                      |   |
|                         | \$450.0 |                             |      | Recurring            | New-Law Enforcement Basic Training Fund |

### REVENUE

| Estimated Revenue |           | Subsequent Years Impact | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| FY03              | FY04      |                         |                      |               |
|                   | (\$450.0) |                         | Recurring            | General Fund  |
|                   | \$450.0   |                         | Recurring            | New Fund      |

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Revenue Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 282 requires the department of public safety (DPS) to reimburse a municipal or county law enforcement agency \$3,000, or to the extent that funds are appropriated and available, when a municipal or county officer successfully completes the qualifications for certification through a certified regional law enforcement training facility.

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SB 282 creates a new fund, the “law enforcement basic training reimbursement fund”. Beginning in FY05, DPS shall forecast the amount of reimbursement expected in each fiscal year and shall request that necessary funds be appropriated. The bill appropriates \$450,000 from the general fund to the new fund.

### Significant Issues

This reimbursement program should serve as an incentive for county and municipal agencies to send officers for certification through a recognized regional training institute. This will result in more highly skilled officers at the most basic, front-line level in New Mexico.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

HB 282 appropriates \$450.0 from the general fund in FY04 to DPS for training reimbursements to county and municipal agencies. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY04 shall revert to the general fund. Beginning in FY05, DPS shall forecast the amount of reimbursement expected in each fiscal year and shall request that necessary funds be appropriated.

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